



# Use a Common Anode RGB LED

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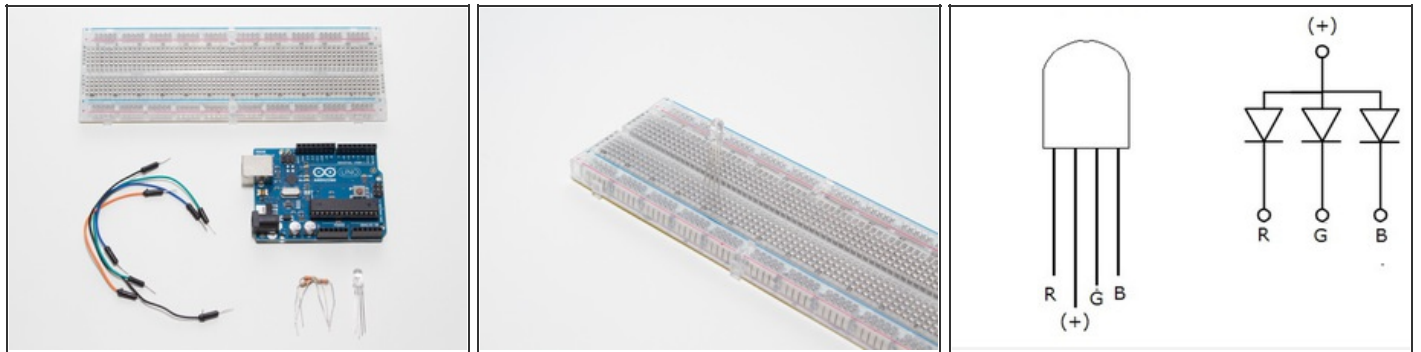
## PARTS:

- [Common Anode RGB LED \(1\)](#)
- [330 ohm resistor \(3\)](#)
- [Jumper Wire \(4\)](#)

## SUMMARY

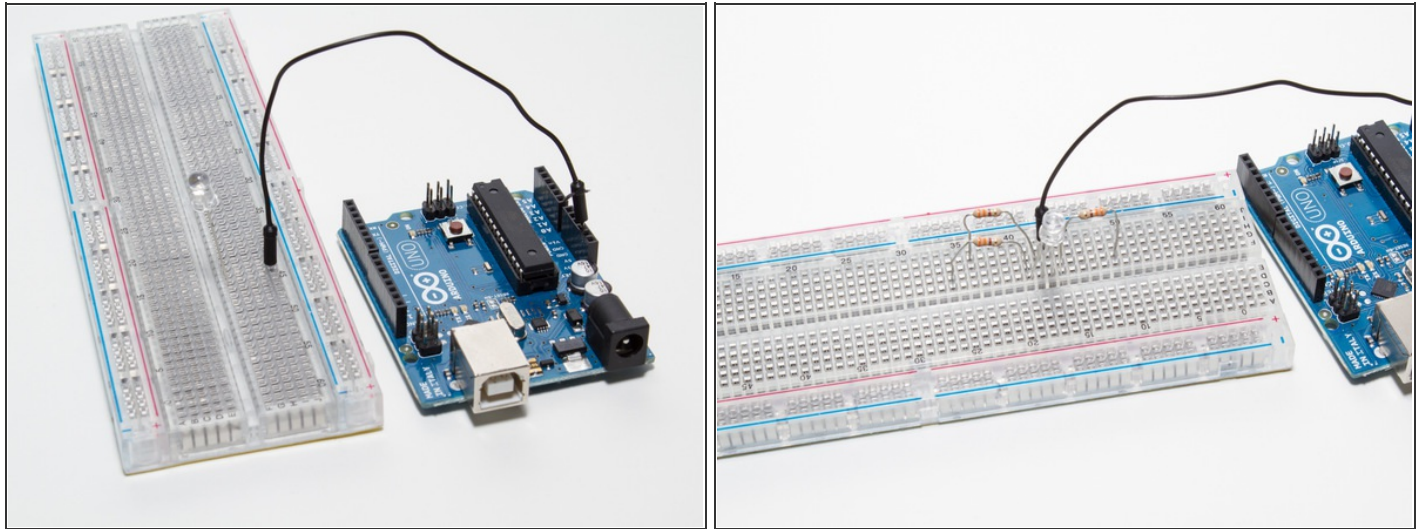
How to fade between colors with the Common Anode RGB LED, included in Maker Shed's [Ultimate Arduino Microcontroller Pack](#).

## Step 1 — Plug in the RGB LED



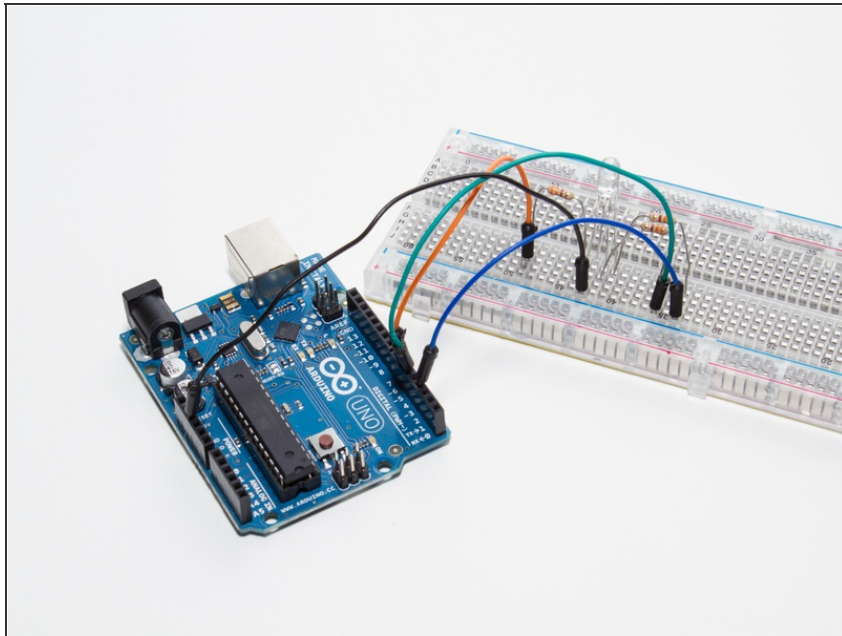
- Grab all the parts, and begin by plugging the Common Anode RGB LED into your breadboard.
  - Orient it in the breadboard with the red leg on the left, and power leg second from the left.
  - That's power (long) leg to F42 on the breadboard, with the red leg right next to it in F43.

## Step 2 — Begin the wiring



- Now wire up the positive (longest) lead of the LED to the 5V header on the Arduino.
  - You can use a jumper from J42 to the Arduino.
- Connect the three resistors, one from each of the three other LED pins to another spot on the transparent breadboard.
  - Place one 330  $\Omega$  resistor in G43 and G49.
  - Place another 330  $\Omega$  resistor in H41 and H35.
  - Place the last 330  $\Omega$  resistor in G40 and G34.

### Step 3 — Connect the RGB pins to the Arduino



- Next, connect the three pins of the LED to the Arduino.
- Red goes to PWM Pin 6, from breadboard pin J49.
- Green goes to PWM Pin 5, from breadboard pin J35.
- Blue goes to PWM Pin 3, from breadboard pin J34.
- Now you can grab the code from [GitHub](#) and upload it to your Arduino. Have fun!

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